

6 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 The **mugger** / **shoplifter** looked around the store, then quickly put the watch into her pocket.
- 2 A person who is charged with a crime is called an **offender** / a **thief**.
- 3 The play area in the park has been destroyed by **vandals** / **muggers**.
- 4 Last night a **shoplifter** / **thief** broke into our house and stole the TV.
- 5 The news headlines were all about the **theft** / **mugging** of a famous painting from an art gallery.
- 6 There was an **armed robbery** / **vandalism** at our local supermarket last night. £10,000 was taken.



Write your answers:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

V insight Noun prefixes: mis- and dis-

7 Read the sentences, then match the prefixes mis- and dis- to definitions a and b.

- 1 Joshua experienced hard times and **misfortune** in his early life.
- 2 It's a family where crime and **dishonesty** are OK.



The answer:

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- a 1 **8 Complete the text with the words in brackets and mis- or dis-. Then check your answers in The choice.**



The campaigner

19-year-old Alexander Rose had the 1 (fortune) to grow up on a bad council estate. Whenever there was 2 (agreement) between people, someone got hurt. School was impossible – there was constant 3 (behaviour) in the classroom and 4 (respect) for teachers. Kids that turned up didn't want to learn. Their lessons were on the street, and they were lessons in 5 (honesty) and crime.



'A lot of these kids suffered from 6 (treatment) at home, so they didn't care about other people,' says Alex. Alex tried to ignore the violence until he lost a 16-year-old friend. His first reaction was 7 (belief) – how could this happen to someone he knew? Then he decided to do something about it. Alex designed the STOP logo, which stands for Stop This Ongoing Problem. He printed the logo on some T-shirts, then sold them to friends to get his message onto the streets. 'I'm just one person putting in ten per cent,' says Alex. 'If everyone put in ten per cent, that really would bring about change.'

V Crime

5 Study the people below. What are the crimes that they commit?

■ mugger ■ shoplifter ■ armed robber ■ vandal ■ thief
■ offender

9 SPEAKING Discuss the newspaper headlines. What do you think are the causes and solutions?

'A third of children believe that gangs and knives are a threat to their safety'

'Youngsters turning to gangs instead of parents'

'Make school day longer to stop pupils joining gangs'